

Royal British Legion - Henley on Thames & Peppard Branch

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at the Christ Church Centre

16 October 2017 commencing at 10.45

Committee Members attending:

Brig Malcolm Page President	John Green Chairman	Lt Col N Launders Vice Chairman	Revd Canon Martyn Griffiths
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Anne Evans Events Manager	Martin Goodier Treasurer	Mollie Jeffrey Membership Secretary	Lt Col Peter Blaker
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Colin Davies
Secretary & Standard Bearer (Peppard)

Apologies: Annie Arscott
Poppy Appeal Organiser

Brian Hughes Standard Bearer (Henley)	Stan Ainsley
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Branch Members attending:

Alex Manning Julian Brookes Peter Ashby Pam Johnson David Johnson

Hazel Howard Malcolm Lewis Richard Kingston Christine Searle Ian Page

Sandra Moon Nora Scanlon Shirley Lees Hiltegund Blaker

Item 1: Introduction:

- a. Exhortation - President & Chairman.
- b. Minutes of the previous AGM (December 2016) were reviewed & approved.

Item 2: Chairman's report for 2017 & prospects for 2018:

It has been a year of change:

Highlights:

- * Brigadier Malcolm Page received an MBE
- * Brian Hughes received a BEM
- * Outstanding series of talks (average attendance 30)
- * The Branch Newsletter gets better & better – thanks to Brig Malcolm Page & Anne Evans
- * Chairman John Green, Stan Ainsley & David Lees participated in the Nijmegen March in Holland, raising £2,500 for the Poppy Appeal

Sad Losses: Ann Turner & Pam Friedlander

Illness: Tony Cronk, Ursula & Brian Hughes

Prospects for 2018:

- * Continued membership drive
- * WW1 centenary
- * Aliquando Concert
- * Development of the Welfare side of our Branch
- * Closer liaison with Cadet units

Item 3: Accounts for the year 2016-2017 ending 30 June:

Branch Treasurer Martin Goodier presented & explained a Summary of the Accounts to the year 2016-2017, ending 30 June.

The Accounts were accepted. See the Summary at the end of the Minutes.

Item 4: Appointment of Committee members:

All Committee members continued unopposed.

The Chairman extended grateful thanks to Stan Ainsley who retired in 2017 having made an outstanding contribution to the success of the Branch for 5 years as Secretary. He handed over Membership Secretary duties to Mollie Jeffrey, & Branch Secretary duties to Colin Davies. Stan continues as a Committee Member.

Item 5: AOB: Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation:

The Chairman presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Cliff Austin - retiring after 17 years as Henley Town Sergeant who always gave the Branch loyal support & co-operation.

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The meeting closed at 11.15

Note: The next AGM will be held in October 2018

Accepted as a true record of the meeting: Chairman

Date

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017	
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	Opening 1 Jul 2016	Closing 30 Jun 2017
1 Bank and Cash Balances at		
Cash in Hand	4,243.64	4278.17
Accounts Held (give details of Financial institution, account number and sort code)		
LLOYDS BANK		
Sort Code 309413		
A/C No. 0027556		
BFI		
2 Total Cash Held	4,243.64	4278.17
3 Total increase/(decrease) in cash		34.53
4 Other Assets (please specify type of asset)		
COIF Charities Investment Fund	12,715.00	14261.64

	Income	Expenditure
	£	£
5 Membership Fees Collected	120.00	
Less: Subscriptions forwarded to Novacraft		140.00
Branch Administration Fees Received	308.00	
6 Poppy Appeal Events		
Events Receipts / Expenses	167.18	
7 Fundraising Events Receipts / Expenses	4,940.37	5584.99
8a Donations	71.45	
8b Legacies Received by the Branch	500.00	
9 Interest Received/Paid (incl BFI)		
Income from Investments (Dividends)	472.17	
10 Welfare Income / Expenditure		
11 Branch Ceremonial Events		60.00
12a Management & Administration Costs		517.68
12b Audit Costs		
13 Purchases		
Badges & Wreaths	80.00	154.79
Furniture and Equipment		
14 Other Income		
Specify (not BFI transfers)		
15 Other Expenditure		
To RBL County Welfare		
To RBL Care Homes/Break Centres		
To Poppy Appeal		167.18
To GP90 - Great Pilgrimage		
Donation to NMA		
Other (specify page 3)		
16 Total Income / Expenditure	6,659.17	6624.64
17 Net Increase / decrease in Funds in the Year		34.53